

In the Claims:

B Claim 1 (amended). A method of aligning a rubber blanket configuration formed with substantially u-shaped register cut-outs, relative to a clamping device having register pins, for clamping the rubber blanket configuration onto a cylinder, which comprises bringing the substantially u-shaped register cut-outs formed in the rubber blanket configuration into contact with the register pins of the clamping device when the clamping device has been applied to the cylinder.

B Claim 2 (twice-amended). A rubber blanket configuration, comprising:

a rubber blanket formed of a blanket material; and

said rubber blanket having a clamping bar with substantially u-shaped register cut-outs formed therein.

B Claim 8 (twice-amended). An assembly, comprising:

a rubber blanket configuration formed of a blanket material;

said rubber blanket configuration having a clamping bar with substantially u-shaped register cut-outs formed therein; and

a clamping device fastening said rubber blanket configuration to a cylinder, said clamping device only gripping said clamping bar.

Claim 9 (amended). A register system, comprising:

a printing plate with substantially u-shaped register cutouts formed therein; and

a rubber blanket configuration having structures defining further substantially u-shaped register cutouts, disposed in the rubber blanket configuration and corresponding to said substantially u-shaped register cutouts of said printing plate.

Claim 10 (twice-amended). A printing machine, comprising:

a rubber blanket configuration being formed of a blanket material;

said rubber blanket configuration including a clamping bar having substantially u-shaped register cut-outs formed therein.

Claim 11 (twice-amended). A varnishing machine, comprising:

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said rubber blanket configuration including a clamping bar having substantially u-shaped register cut-outs formed therein.
